

July 31, 2013

Clerk Tambs

Please enter this into the record:

Why would anyone still consider a vote for (HB4714) to expand Medicaid when we are so deeply in trouble in this country and spending is rampant and out of control. Why would you even consider piling more debt on the backs of our children and grandchildren, and continue to destroy what is left of the hardworking middle class as they struggle to keep their heads above water.

Senator Colbeck's SB459, is a way for better care for those without insurance, for as we are all aware, Medicaid is not Quality care and does not do much for those who receive it. Most of those on Medicaid will still find their way to the emergency room instead of a doctor's office as that is what they have become used to. It will not solve the problem of cost, but will only help them to skyrocket. I am adding a few of the points that make much more sense than a federal, power grabbing Medicaid expansion.

SB459 will :

- Lower costs of healthcare so that all citizens can afford high quality private insurance.**
- Medicaid population that is transferred to a commercially operated health plan "Hospital system CEO"**
- Incentivize patients to use preventive care by promoting HSA'S featuring direct primary Care Services.**
- Promote usage of Urgent care centers for 24x7 for non-catastrophic care.**

When we sent you to represent us, it was to do just that, represent us, and it's unfortunate that so many have tossed their constituents aside in favor of crony capitalism. We will lose our individual control over every aspect of our ability to care for our health as well as destroy the private relationship we now have with our doctors, and this will give far too much power over every aspect of our lives, to the government. This is not what America is all about! Are you willing to ignore the pleas for help from the citizens of this state and country, and continue on the path that has been set and accept the terms "dictated" by this government, that "will" destroy our liberty and freedom to decide what is best for ourselves and our loved ones, or are you willing to stand up and FIGHT for the people who sent you to represent them.

The expansion of Medicaid will do nothing more than help to ensure that the deplorable healthcare bill that was shoved down the throats of the American people will be able to struggle to the finish line, become the biggest mistake ever undertaken in this country, and insure the loss of individual liberty, for each and everyone of us. We are fighting to keep our country safe from total ruin.....which side will you vote on.....Our rights as Americans to make our own decisions, about this very important issue, our health, or that of those whose only true goal is power and the ability to control all that is American life as we now know it.

Elizabeth Gillanders

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